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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

ALWAYS FOR LIBERTY, AND THE PUBLICK GOOD.

ALEXANDER PURDIE. PRINTER.

At a meeting of the commiſſioners appointed by the Convention for ſuperintending the manufactory of SMALL-ARMS at Fredericksburg, on Wedneſday the 13th of September, 1775.

THE *commiſſioners intend to meet on the 10th day of October next, at Fredericksburg, for the purpoſe of engaging a farther number of* GUNSMITHS, *and other artiſts capable of managing that buſineſs in its various branches. All perſons who are willing to enter into the ſervice, for a year at leaſt, and can come well recommended, for ſkill and ſobriety, are deſired to attend. If agreed with, they will have good encouragement, according to their merit; and, at all events, be paid for their attendance and travelling.*---*** *Good* LOCKSMITHS *are much wanting.*

(2) *THE COMMISSIONERS.*

THE honourable COMMITTEE of SAFETY having appointed me commiſſary of proviſion to the two *Virginia* regiments, and inſtructed me to make my purchaſes as diffuſive as poſſible, I hereby give notice, that I will attend at *Fredericksburg* on *ſaturday* the 14th of *October*, at *Louiſa* courthouſe on *tueſday* the 17th, at *Cumberland* courthouſe on *thurſday* the 19th, at *Pride's* ordinary, in *Amelia* county, near col. *Tabb's*, on *ſaturday* the 21ſt, and at *Peterſburg* on *tueſday* the 24th of the ſame month, in order to contract or receive propoſals for BEEF, PORK, and FLOUR, for victualling the ſaid regiments; alſo a quantity of STALLED BEEF, to be delivered at different periods, from *January* till *June* next, and a large quantity of beef and pork, over and above the quantity neceſſary for ſaid regiments, to be laid in ſtore for future contingencies. I expect every perſon who has proviſions to diſpoſe of will come with their loweſt terms, as they will probably not meet with another opportunity, and that ſuch as I am not well acquainted with will provide good ſecurity for the performance of their contracts.

*** I want to purchaſe two good WAGGONS and TEAMS.

JOHN HAWKINS.

PARIS, *June* 30.

THE ſquadron fitted out at Rochefort is to cruiſe between that port and the mouth of the Tagus. Another ſquadron is equipping at Breſt, which the duke de Chartres ſet out laſt night to go on board of.

LONDON, *July* 8.

LETTERS from New York mention, that the Congreſs had voted 36,000 men as a ſtanding army, beſides the militia, and one million of Pennſylvania currency to pay them with; that three of the delegates be a committee to act; that they are reſolved to ſend manifeſtoes to all the powers in Europe, to let them know their reaſons for breaking with their mother country; that they are determined not to ſubmit till they are reinſtated in all the privileges they enjoyed before the late acts, &c. and that all the ports be ſtopped up on the 22d of July.

There is a talk of the common council moving, on wedneſday next, for a preſent of 2000*l.* to be granted to the lord mayor, on account of his ſpirit and reſolution in behalf of publick liberty in general, and the rights and privileges of the citizens in particular.

A report gains ground, at the weſt end of the town, that the Spaniſh armament is actually intended againſt Gibraltar; and that advices have been received, in the courſe of the preſent week, which leave it no longer a matter of doubt.

Many of the ſhipwrights are reſolved, if their grievances are not ſpeedily redreſſed, to ſail immediately for America, where they are aſſured of being received with open arms by every true lover of liberty and their country.

A Briſtol correſpondent informs us, that the conſequences of the American reſolutions are ſo viſibly felt, by all the commercial ranks of people in that city, juſt now, that, whilſt the merchants are diſtracted, little leſs than an *inſurrection* is expected from the ſeveral orders of people dependent on them.

July 11. There will be petitions from Liverpool and Briſtol, upon American affairs.

Advice is ſaid to be received from the governour of Gibraltar, of nine ſail of Spaniſh men of war having arrived in the bay of Gibraltar, and that the remainder of the fleet was hourly expected.

It is ſaid that a certain perſonage is in a very dangerous way, the perſons deputed to wait on him having left him *ſpeechleſs*. A *conſultation* of the *whole body* will be held thereon, but it is apprehended as a *loſt caſe*, his complaint being of a very *obſtinate* nature.

Extract of a letter from Portſmouth, *July* 8.

"Wedneſday an expreſs arrived with deſpatches for Boſton, to be conveyed by the Alderney ſloop. The ſhip was then fitting in the harbour, and had neither guns or ſcarcely any thing elſe on board; but the people working on her all night, ſhe was got ready the next day, when ſhe ſailed, without anchoring at Spithead.

"Same day, agreeable to orders from the navy board, 92 people were diſcharged from the dockyard. None of the others are yet gone to work, but are making freſh petitions, addreſſed to the inhabitants, &c. of this and the adjacent towns."

July 12. On monday arrived at Dover the Polly, Thompſon, and the Mary, Turrel, both from New York. They have brought over ſeveral of the moſt capital families, who have left New York on account of the troubles that ſubſiſt there, which are not likely to end till that once flouriſhing city is laid in ruins, which was daily expected when the above ſhips ſailed from thence.

The news brought by the Meredith packet, which has ſo much alarmed adminiſtration, is ſaid to be, that a large body of Spaniards are actually on their march, and within a ſhort diſtance of Gibraltar; and that the Spaniſh fleet is not more than 60 leagues off that place, where they were in daily expectation of being beſieged both by ſea and land.

The people of Ireland, it is ſaid, are exceedingly uneaſy, and very apprehenſive that the Spaniards mean to pay them a viſit, as they are at preſent totally incapable of reſiſting them; for when the next American embarkation takes place, it is computed that there will not be then 4000 effective men in the whole kingdom, many of the regiments of foot ſcarcely amounting to 180 men.

It was yeſterday currently reported in the city, that Gibraltar was attacked by the Spaniards; but whether the report originated with the *alley gentry*, or not, we will not take upon us to determine.

By letters from Ireland, we are informed that the people in the northern counties let their flax grow longer this year than uſual, in hopes that it might ſtrengthen the ſeed, which they pay great attention to, as they have no proſpect of having any from America this year.

Extract of a letter from the Hague, *June* 29.

"In a full aſſembly of the States General, the 20th ult. it was reſolved, that orders be iſſued from the admiralty board of their High Mightineſſes the States General to the ſieur Van Stort, vice-admiral of the Dutch ſquadron in the Weſt Indies, inſtructing him to give orders alſo to all perſons under him, to uſe their utmoſt power to ſeize and deſtroy all ammunition, ſtores, and proviſions, which may be found in any ſhip or ſhips bound from any of the Dutch ſettlements in that quarter, or on board Dutch ſhips from any quarter, which are bound to any port in the Engliſh American colonies, except ſuch as is conſigned either to the governours of New England, Philadelphia, New York, Halifax, or Virginia; and that ſuch captures ſhall be conſidered as lawful prizes, and be ſhared among the officers and crews of thoſe veſſels concerned in taking them, the ſame as thoſe who are enemies of the States; but that the crews (the captain, his chief mate, and ſupercargo, if any, excepted) be landed on the neareſt dominion of Great Britain, where ſuch capture is made. Reſolved alſo, that the ſieur Van Stort make this known in every Dutch port or harbour where he may touch.

"Ordered, that theſe reſolutions be made known to his excellency mr. Yorke, the Britiſh miniſter to the States; and alſo a copy of the ſame be ſent to the Dutch reſident at London."

July 13. We are informed, that ſhould the diſturbances in New England continue till the next ſitting of parliament, an act will be paſſed to make it lawful to try, by a court-martial, all ſuch perſons as ſhall be taken in arms after the promulgation

of a proclamation, on a day to be ſpecified in the act. Others affirm, that a court of Oyer and Terminer ſhall be eſtabliſhed, for the ſpecial purpoſe of trying the rebels at Boſton; and that no perſon, ſuſpected by the king's council as diſſaffected to the ſupremacy of parliament over America, ſhall be permitted to ſit upon any jury. This meaſure will be leſs liable to objections than the bringing of the culprits to be tried in this country.

It is ſaid, that the reaſon for delaying the 5000 men, which the miniſtry deſigned to ſend to America, is, that the three generals lately arrived at Boſton have ſent it home, as their opinion, that they may be able to defeat the provincials without farther aſſiſtance, though general Gage thinks 15,000 men abſolutely neceſſary for the reduction of New England. The tranſports, however, are taken up, and ſeveral regiments have received orders to hold themſelves in readineſs at the ſhorteſt notice; ſo that in caſe the projected attack on the provincials under Putnam ſhould not appear practicable to our general officers, the reinforcements ſhall be embarked in the firſt week in Auguſt.

Yeſterday the ſheriffs waited on his majeſty at St. James's, to know when he would be pleaſed to be waited on with the city addreſs and petition, praying his majeſty to cauſe hoſtilities to ceaſe between Great Britain and America, and to adopt ſuch meaſures as will reſtore union, confidence, and peace, over the Britiſh empire. They were graciouſly received, and his majeſty was pleaſed to appoint friday at 2 o'clock.

NEW YORK, *September* 11.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman at Albany, *September* 2.

"By an expreſs arrived laſt night we hear there has been a ſkirmiſh near St. John's, between a reconnoitring party of our men in a boat, and a boat of regulars, Canadians, and Indians. The general's letter on the occaſion mentions, that the captain of our party was killed (one Baker) and a number of whites and two Indians of the enemy were ſlain; that general Montgomery, with 1200 men, ſet off the firſt of the week for St. John's, and were to muſter on the iſle of Noe, until joined by general Schuyler, who, with about as many more men, has by this time arrived; ſo that within a very few days it is poſſible the blow will be ſtruck, which ſhall determine the fate of three provinces. And here I muſt wait, an idle liſtener to news, merely becauſe hard neceſſity ties me down, as our men cannot yet march for the want of their campaign equipage."

Extract of a letter from the ſame gentleman, *September* 5.

"Before you get this you will hear of the unhappy affair of capt. Baker, near St. John's. It ſeems Baker had often been ſent out by general Schuyler, to make obſervations, but always with ſtrict orders never to moleſt either Canadians or Indians. The laſt tour he made was without any orders from the general, and landing ſomewhere on the ſhore of the lake, he indiſcreetly, or wickedly, ſnapped his firelock at ſome Indians he ſaw near him; immediately he was fired at and ſlain, on which his people returned the fire, and killed two of the ſavages. This matter was immediately repreſented in its true colours, by the commiſſioners of Indian affairs, to the Six Nations, now on congreſs in this city, who thanked them for their candour; and in order to put out the flame which this unhappy affair could not help kindling, a lieutenant ſets out to-day with four Mohawk Indians, and an interpreter, to join general Schuyler, wherever he ſhall be, to endeavour to make up matters. This affair was prodigiouſly miſrepreſented here at firſt."

Captain Couper informs us, and all the letters from England agree, that no more troops are to be ſent to America from Great Britain, and that the miniſtry are much diſtreſſed to equip their ſhips, owing to a combination of the carpenters in order to raiſe their wages from 2s. 1d. to 2s. 6d. per day; that the inhabitants of Great Britain were impatient to know the reſult of our Continental Congreſs, when it was not in the leaſt doubted they would willingly come to ſuch terms as would be agreeable to the people of this continent; and that the parliament was to meet the 27th of July.

The following addreſs, &c. from the lord mayor, aldermen, and commons of the city of London, was delivered to capt. Couper the day he ſailed from London, and was to be preſented to the king the 14th of July.

To the KING's *moſt excellent* MAJESTY.

The humble addreſs and petition of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons, of the city of London, in common council aſſembled.

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

YOUR majeſty's moſt loyal and dutiful ſubjects, the lord mayor, aldermen, and commons of the city of London, in common council aſſembled, with all humility beg leave to lay themſelves at your royal feet, humbly imploring your benign attention towards the grievous diſtraction of their fellow-ſubjects in America.

The characteriſtick of the people, ſire, over whom you reign, has ever been equally remarked for an unparalleled loyalty to their ſovereign, whilſt the principles of the conſtitution have been the rule of this government; as well as a firm oppoſition, whenever their rights have been invaded.

Your American ſubjects, royal ſire, deſcended from the ſame anceſtors with ourſelves, appear equally jealous of their prerogatives as freemen, without which they cannot deem themſelves happy.

Their cheerful and unaſked for contributions, as well as willing ſervices to the mother country, whilſt they remained free from the clog of compulſory laws, will, we are ſure, plead powerfully with the humanity of your diſpoſition, for graciouſly granting them every reaſonable opportunity of giving, as freemen, what they ſeem reſolutely determined to refuſe, under the injunction of laws made independent of their own conſent.

The abhorrence we entertain of civil bloodſhed and confuſion will, we truſt, ſire, if not wholly exculpate us in your royal mind, yet plead powerfully in our favour, for the warmth with which we lament thoſe meaſures, whoſe deſtructive principles have driven our American brethren to acts of deſperation.

Convinced of the earneſt diſpoſition of the coloniſts to remain firm in all duteous obedience to the conſtitutional authority of this kingdom, permit us, moſt gracious ſovereign, to beſeech you, that thoſe operations of force, which at preſent diſtract them with the moſt dreadful apprehenſions, may be ſuſpended; and that, uncontrouled by a reſtraint incompatible with a free government, they may poſſeſs an opportunity of tendering ſuch terms of accomodation as we doubt not will approve them worthy of a diſtinguiſhed rank amongſt the firmeſt friends of this country."

His MAJESTY's anſwer.

I AM always ready to liſten to the dutiful petitions of my ſubjects, and ever happy to comply with their reaſonable requeſts; but, while the conſtitutional authority of this kingdom is openly reſiſted by part of my American ſubjects, I owe it to the reſt of my people, of whoſe zeal and fidelity I have had ſuch conſtant proofs, to continue and enforce thoſe meaſures by which alone their rights and intereſts can be aſſerted and maintained.

PHILADELPHIA, *September* 13.

MONDAY next the GENERAL ASSEMBLY of this province meets here.

Extract of a letter from London, *July* 12.

"The parliament is not ſitting, and of courſe nothing tranſpires; things ſeem to bear a more favourable aſpect. That fiery ſpirit of adminiſtration, with which we were at firſt threatened, is in a great meaſure appeaſed; the unanimity, and unexpected meaſures entered into by the colonies, has opened their eyes, and I am inclined to hope will convince them of their errour. The undauntedneſs of your conduct, throughout the whole of this diſagreeable conteſt, is ſuch as does you honour, and deſerves to be handed down to the lateſt poſterity. You have already ſhewn them what you Americans can do, and that you are determined to riſk your lives and properties in defence of your liberties. I hope you will continue firm in your wiſe reſolution of non-importation and exportation; this will occaſion more noiſe, in particular amongſt the manufacturers, as theſe people begin now to complain, and will continue ſo to do as their miſeries increaſe.

"An expreſs arrived the 10th inſtant from Gibraltar, which brings an account of a large body of troops marching to attack that place, likewiſe mentions the Spaniſh fleet being but 60 leagues off, and it was expected the garriſon would be attacked by land and ſea in a ſhort time."

Extract of a letter from Prolpect hill, *Auguſt* 31.

"Laſt ſaturday evening a party of 1000 men, attended by a picquet guard of 2000 provincials and 400 rifle-men, were ordered to throw up an intrenchment on Plowed hill, which lies on Charleſtown neck, about half a mile from Bunker's hill. They had their works conſiderably advanced before dawn, at which time they expected to be attacked; but the regulars obſerved a profound ſilence till about 10 o'clock, when they began a very heavy cannonade on our men on the hill, which continued pretty conſtantly the whole day. An adjutant and a private ſoldier of the Maſſachuſetts men had their heads ſhot off, and one volunteer in the rifle battalion, of the name of Simpſon, received a wound in his leg, of which he is ſince dead.

"They remained quiet all ſunday night, but on monday morning we were alarmed by a ſignal from Chelſea, and preſently perceived that the enemy were drawn up and in motion, on the ſide of Bunker's hill facing that way. It was immediately conjectured that they intended to attack us at high water, and in a ſhort time 5 or 6000 of our men were marched to the intrenchments on Plowed hill, and on the Charleſtown road. We there waited till near 3 o'clock in the afternoon, whilſt the moſt awfull ſilence was obſerved by both ſides, until ſome of our men, ſtraggling along the walls, fired upon the regular ſentries, which brought on ſeveral ſhots from the floating batteries, with the loſs of one of the Bay ſoldiers. Since that time they have thrown between 20 and 30 bombs, and a vaſt number of cannon ball, but without doing any injury to our people. Unleſs very large reinforcements ſoon arrive, there will not be another engagement this year, as we have ſo vaſtly the ſuperiority in point of numbers. At preſent they lie tolerably ſtill, except diſturbing us at night with their bombs."

Extract of a letter from Cambridge, *Sept.* 4.

"The enemy are endeavouring to annoy our new poſt with ſhot and bombs; their ſhot have killed four, and wounded three, on this ſide. At Roxbury, they killed three on friday night; a ſmall loſs. We ſeldom return their fire, but on ſaturday morning we gave them a few 24 pounders, which we believe killed ſeveral of their men, as the firſt ſhot entered their guard houſe. Deſerters are coming over to us every day."

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 29.

ON tueſday laſt the Hon. COMMITTEE of SAFETY adjourned from Hanover town to this city, for the convenience of deſpatching the important buſineſs committed to their charge.

Laſt wedneſday morning 100 volunteers from this city, under the command of major EPPES, marched for Hampton, agreeable to the recommendation of the Hon. COMMITTEE of SAFETY, to replace thoſe formerly ſent down, who are returned, without having had the pleaſure of *ſhaking hands* with capt. Squire, or ſo much as ſeeing any of the *miniſterial trumpery*.

A camp is now marked out, behind the college; tents, and other camp equipage, are getting ready with the utmoſt expedition; and the troops, from the different counties, are on their march for this city.

The ſame day came in the Cheſterfield company, under capt. Markham, who are a ſet of hearty clever young men.

Mr. THOMAS DAVIS, of Fairfax-county, is appointed adjutant to the firſt regiment of regular forces, with the rank of lieutenant.

By the brigantine Polly, capt. Barrett, from St. Kitt's, we learn that a certain WILLIAM PRIDDIS, a merchant of that iſland, ſent laſt July a ſloop with proviſions for the miniſterial troops at Boſton; and, in the captain's hearing, declared, that he would ſupply them with every thing that lay in his power: But, as for the Americans, they might ſtarve and be d----d. This ſaid raſcal Priddis (who by the bye, it ſeems has ſome *negro blood* in him) is poſſeſſed of a very large eſtate, which he has got ſolely by the American trade; and not many years ago, when at the northward, received the kindeſt uſage, from many gentlemen of diſtinction.

Laſt week the Richmond packet was ſeized in Norfolk harbour, juſt after the paſſengers got on ſhore, by ſome banditti from the Kingfiſher ſloop, capt. Montague. After rifling the paſſengers trunks, they went off, taking with them a middling of bacon, one pig, two hunting ſhirts, a tomahawk, two fowling pieces, and a ſilver hilted ſword.

A few days before, mr. Joſeph Middleton, of Annapolis, in Maryland, with his wife and family, being on a viſit to ſome relations in Norfolk, they were brought to by capt. Montague, who, after much inſulting language, ordered them aſhore in his boat, and made prize of their veſſel, worth 150l. a valuable negro man in her belonging to mr. Middleton's brother, four mattraſſes, one bed and furniture, a blue ſhirt, a caſe of cherry rum, ſeven ſwivel guns, and one muſket. Some time after, mr. Middleton went on board the man of war, to demand his veſſel, &c. when the *valiant captain*, with the uſual inſolence of the *ſmall gentry* in the navy, *damn'd him for a rebel*, and ſaid, had it not been for his wife and children, he would have ſent him to Boſton *in irons*, pointing to ſome th twere lying upon deck.

Mr. PURDIE,

LONDON, *January* 17, 1775.

TO ſhow the Americans that their oppreſſions are felt here, as injuries to this country, you will pleaſe to publiſh in your paper the encloſed reſolutions of the *ſociety for ſupport of the* BILL *of* RIGHTS, this day entered into. I am a friend to American liberty, and a member of the ſociety for ſupport of the Bill of Rights.

LONDON TAVERN, *January* 17, 1775.

Supporters of the BILL *of* RIGHTS.

The right hon. the lord mayor of the city of London *in the chair.*

Reſolved unanimouſly, THAT the liberties, franchiſes, and chartered rights, of our fellow ſubjects in America, are ſo nearly connected with thoſe of Great Britain, that the ſubverſion of either muſt prove equally fatal to both.

Reſolved unanimouſly, that it be earneſtly recommended to ſuch members of this ſociety, who have ſeats in parliament, to exert themſelves in bringing to the juſtice of their country the adviſers of meaſures for eſtabliſhing arbitrary government over our affectionate fellow ſubjects in America, *by taxing them without their conſent*, refuſing them a fair trial by jury, eſtabliſhing popery, and taking from them the right of the habeas corpus act; and to obtain for that much injured people a full redreſs of grievances. By order of the ſociety.

JOHN WILKES, chairman.

*** *It is expected that ſuch members of the Houſe of Burgeſſes as are convenient will meet at the capitol in Williamſburg, on thurſday the* 12*th of October, in order to adjourn to ſome future day.*

In COMMITTEE, *at* Hanover *town, the* 21*ſt day of September* 1775.

RESOLVED, *that it is the opinion of this committee, that the commiſſary or contractor appointed in each diſtrict ſhould provide for the battalion thereof under the ſaid appointment the ſeveral articles neceſſary for their encampment and diſcipline, deſcribed by an ordinance of Convention as follows, to wit:* TENTS *of the ſame kind as directed for the regulars*, KETTLES, CANTEENS, DRUMS, FIFES, *and a ſtand of* COLOURS, *with the following motto on one ſide*,

VIRGINIA.

FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTY.

And on the other ſide, the name of the diſtrict.

(*a copy*)

JOHN PENDLETON, jun. clerk.

THE COMMITTEE *of* SAFETY *earneſtly recommend it to the committees of the ſeveral counties to loſe no time in collecting and forwarding the* PUBLICK ARMS, *according to the order of Convention; and alſo, to elect their militia officers, where it is not done, and forward their certificates to this committee, that commiſſions may be made out, and the militia embodied as ſoon as poſſible. By order of the committee.*

JOHN PENDLETON, jun. clerk.

SEPTEMBER 25, 1775.

THE *commiſſioners appointed to ſettle the accounts of the pay and proviſions of the* VOLUNTEER COMPANIES *who have been lately called into actual ſervice, for the defence of the lower parts of the country, give notice, that they will attend at* Williamſburg, *on* tueſday *the* 11*th of next month, at which time and place all perſons concerned are deſired to give their attendance.*-------William Langhorn. Henry King. John S. Wills. William Norvell. Champion Travis.

LOST *on the road between* Stratford *in* Weſtmoreland, *and col.* Thomas Ludwell Lee's, *the* 13*th inſtant, a RED LEATHER POCKET-BOOK; containing ſeveral letters and papers of conſequence, and* thirty odd pounds *paper currency of* Virginia. *Whoever has found the ſaid pocket-book, and will convey the ſame to col.* Lee *of* Stafford, *or doctor* George Steptoe *of* Weſtmoreland, *will be moſt amply rewarded.* *JAMES STEPTOE.*

To be SOLD at Stratford, *the ſeat of the late honourable* Philip Ludwell Lee, *eſq; in* Weſtmoreland *county, on* Thurſday *the* 19*th of* October *next*,

THE famous high-blooded horſe DOTTEREL, greatly diſtinguiſhed on the turf in *England*, and in high eſtimation in this country for getting foals of beauty and form, whoſe pedigree will be ſhewn on the day.----At the ſame time and place will be ſold, a conſiderable number of COLTS and FILLIES from *Dotterel*.----Twelve months credit will be allowed, the purchaſers giving bond with approved ſecurity to the adminiſtrators; and if the money is not punctually paid when due, the bonds are to carry intereſt from the date.

N. B. Five per cent diſcount will be allowed for ready money.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY,

A CURRIER, who is a good workman. Such a one will have good encouragement, by the month, ſix months, or a whole year, from

WILLIAM PEARSON.

WILLIAMSBURG, *September* 29, 1775.

THE *ſubſcriber being appointed to collect all the* PUBLICK ARMS *lately taken and lent out from the magazine in this city, notice is hereby given to all perſons who have any of the ſame in poſſeſſion to return them to the magazine immediately. All reaſonable expenſes for repairing the ſame, when delivered, will be reimburſed to them.*

WILLIAM FINNIE.

WANTED to the battalion of minute, men in the lower end of the *Northern Neck*, an ADJUTANT who is well acquainted with the duty of that office, agreeable to the order or directions of his majeſty in the year 1764. As this is the only officer in the minute ſervice whoſe pay will be conſtant for nine months in the year, it is hoped ſuch as are qualified will readily engage. Alſo wanted, a DRUMMER and FIFER, who can teach others the duty, to act as drum and fife-majors. The CHAPLAIN's place to ſaid battalion is not yet engaged.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidder, for ready money, on monday *the* 16*th of* October, *at* York,

FIVE hogſheads of TOBACCO, ſaved out of 14 delivered to mr. *Edward Hughes's* man *Iſaac*, to be put on board the *Proſpect*, capt. *Norwood*, but drove on ſhore, and damaged in the late ſtorm.

JAMES MILLS, & co.

To be SOLD *by the ſubſcribers, at their ſtore, by wholeſale, at a low advance.*

ABOUT 400l. ſterling value of *European* goods, conſiſting chiefly of broadcloths and trimmings, low priced friezes, ſagathies, and duroys, mens fine and felt hats, ditto worſted ſtockings, mens and womens gloves and mitts of various kinds, womens ſatin and ſilk hats and bonnets, nuns thread, fine plain and flowered lawns, plain and ſpotted ſilk gauze, a good aſſortment of tin ware, ſeveral kinds of crockery ware, pewter diſhes, baſons and plates, broad and narrow axes, ſeveral pair of ſtock cards for preparing wool for finer cards, with many more ſaleable articles.

Likewiſe a new built STOREHOUSE and GRANARY with cellars flush. The ſtorehouſe is 36 feet by 18, completely finiſhed off, is ſo conſtructed that it can, with very little expenſe, be converted into a dwelling-houſe, and is very pleaſantly ſituated on the main ſtreet. There is ſpare ground ſufficient on the lot to build two other houſes on. The granary is 52 feet by 20, completely conſtructed for the reception of dry and wet goods, and grain. Credit will be allowed until the 25th of *April* next for one half the purchaſe money, and until the 25th of *October* following for the other half, on giving bond with approved ſecurity to

2‖ JACOB FAULCON, & co.

COBHAM, *September* 18, 1775.

ESSEX county, *September* 10, 1775.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, about the middle of *July* laſt, a *Virginia* born negro lad named NED, who is about 18 years of age, and about 5 feet high; one of his hands has a large ſcar, occaſioned by its being burnt when he was a child, by which means ſome of his fingers grow together. He has a flat face and long head, which is remarkably ſharp on the top. His clothes were ſuch as is common for working negroes, and he was ſeen going down the country. Whoever will ſecure the ſaid negro, ſo that I get him again, ſhall have a reward of 40s. beſides what the law allows.

(tf) JAMES EDMONDSON.

SEPTEMBER 22, 1775.

NOTICE *is hereby given, that the ſeveral captains of the* REGULAR FORCES, *whoſe companies are completed, are forthwith to march their recruits to ſome place at two miles diſtant from the city of* Williamſburg, *there to halt, and to make immediate application to col.* THOMAS BULLITT, *in the ſaid city, for farther orders.*

P. HENRY, jun.

WESTOVER, *September* 19, 1775.

IN *July* laſt the high ſheriff of *Charles City* advertiſed two negroes, MICHAEL and AARON, late my property, who broke jail and eſcaped whilſt under ſentence of death. As I know they are daring and dangerous villains, capable of attempting the moſt horrid crimes, I hereby yromiſe a reward of 3l. for each, to be paid on their being returned to the jail of *Charles City*. *Michael* is a ditcher by trade, a handſome black fellow, about 30 years old, under the middle ſize; he is very artful, and ſpeaks fluently. *Aaron* is a blackſmith by trade, of a yellow complexion, near 20 years old, 6 feet high, and well made; he has a down look, and remarkable long fore teeth. I am informed their haunts are in *Prince George*, *Charles City*, *New Kent*, and *Hanover*.

W. BYRD.

YORK TOWN, *September* 19, 1775.

RUN away from col. *Philip Rootes*, of *King & Queen*, a negro man named HARRY, who ſome years ago was mortgaged to the hon. *William Nelſon*. It is with good reaſon ſuſpected that he is lurking about *Weſt Point*, and that he is harboured by ſome of col. *Thomas Moore's* negroes. Whoever ſecures and delivers the ſaid negro, either to col. *Rootes* or to one of us, ſhall have 40s. reward.

THE EXECUTORS.

BEDFORD county, *September* 12, 1775.

SOME time ago I purchaſed two tracts of land of *James Buford* of this county, for which I paſſed bonds, to the amount of 410l. and as the ſaid *Buford* refuſes to make me a proper title to the land, I hereby forewarn all perſons from taking an aſſignment of any of my bonds, as I am determined not to pay one farthing till I get a title for the ſaid land.

2‖ WILLIAM READ, jun.

COMMITTED to the jail of *Elizabeth City*, a negro fellow who calls himſelf PLIMIH, and ſays he belongs to col. *Andrew Lewis* of *Botetourt*; he has on common negro clothing, and is 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high. The owner is deſired to take him away, and pay charges.

‖ JOHN M'LACHLIN, jailer.

COMMITTED to the jail of *Elizabeth City*, a negro fellow who calls himſelf BIB, and ſays he belongs to mrs. *Peter* at *Cabin Point*; he has on common negro clothing, and is 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high. The owner is deſired to take him away, and pay charges.

‖ JOHN M'LACHLIN, jailer.

TAKEN up in *Cumberland*, a BLACK HORSE, 4 feet 5 or 6 inches high, with a blaze in his face, his near hind foot white, has loſt an eye, has a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, and branded on the off ſhoulder M. Poſted, and appraiſed to 7l.

‖ THOMAS HARRIS.

COMMITTED to *Suſſex* jail, the 7th of this inſtant (*September*) a negro man about 5 feet 8 inches high, who had on a linen ſhirt and oſnabrug breeches, calls himſelf CÆSAR, and ſays he belongs to mr. *John Hamilton* of *Nanſemond*. The owner is deſired to take him away, and pay charges.

‖ ROBERT ANDREWS, jailer.

JAMES CITY, *September* 22, 1775.

I INTEND to leave the colony immediately.

JAMES GREENHOW.

KING WILLIAM COURTHOUSE, *September* 10, 1775.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber on *Sunday* the 27th ult. an *Engliſh* indented ſervant man named THOMAS BEMISH, about 5 feet 8 inches high, well ſet, of a brown complexion, has ſhort black hair, a ſcar on his breaſt, the ſize of a dollar, occaſioned by a burn or ſcald, and another on his right leg, about three inches long, which was by the cut of an axe; he was ſold for a bricklayer, but knows nothing of the buſineſs. He carried with him a blue narrow broadcloath coat, which has been turned, a reddiſh broadcloth jacket lined with white *Virginia* cloth, a pair of dark coloured jeans breeches, two oſnabrug ſhirts, oſnabrug trouſers, one oſnabrug jacket, a fantail caſtor hat, an old felt hat, country made ſhoes with odd yellow metal buckles, and a pair of ſtockings. Whoever apprehends the ſaid ſervant, and conveys him to me, ſhall have 40s. reward.

DANIEL LIPSCOMB.

THREE POUNDS REWARD.

RUN away from *Frederickſburg*, on the 7th inſtant (*Auguſt*) JOSEPH SMITH, a *Scotchman*, by trade a painter, appears to be about 33 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high, very fleſhy, much marked by the ſmallpox, has light brown hair, which he commonly wears plaited behind, curled at the ſides, and faſtened with pins. He took with him two coats, one of them a dark brown pretty much wore, the other a light brown, very ſhort, with buttons at the ſleeves, a nankeen and a gray cloth waiſtcoat, two pair of brown linen and a pair of black ſilk ſtocking breeches, three check and two white ſhirts (he commonly worked in his check ſhirts, therefore it is probable they may have ſome paint on them) two pair of ſtockings, one of them mixed yarn, the other ribbed thread, two pair of ſhoes, one of them old, the other almoſt new, country made. Whoever takes up the ſaid ſervant, and ſecures him in any jail, ſo that he may be had again, or delivers him to col. *Fielding Lewis* in *Frederickſburg*, or mr. *Lund Waſhington* at *Mount Vernon*, in *Fairfax* county, will be, by either of thoſe gentlemen, paid the above reward, excluſive of what is allowed by law. (6)

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, at *Weſt Point*, in *King William* county, the 21ſt of laſt *December*, a very likely *Virginia* born negro man, named MIKE, about 22 years old, ſix feet high, and ſtutters much; had on, when he went away, a ſuit of negro cotton, but may probably change his clothes. I forewarn all maſters of veſſels from carrying him out of the colony. Whoever brings the ſaid negro to me ſhall have 3l. reward, beſides what the law allows, and if taken out of the colony 10l. (tf.) JOHN WEST.

TAKEN up in *James City*, a BLACK HORSE about 12 hands high, about 9 years old, with a hanging mane and ſhort ſwitch tail, and branded on the near buttock with three dots. Poſted, and appraiſed to 6l.

JOSEPH EGGLESTON.

TAKEN up in *James City*, at *Fox's* ordinary, a BAY MARE about 14 hands and a half high, about 8 years old, with a hanging mane and ſwitch tail, her hind feet white, trots and gallops, but has no brand perceivable. Poſted, and appraiſed to 20l.

‖ BENJAMIN FOX.

BLANDFORD, *September* 6, 1775.

I INTEND to *Great Britain* immediately, and to return in a few months. The buſineſs carried on here by me, for *John Baird* and co. will now be tranſacted, during my abſence, by mr. *Thomas Scott*, under the direction of mr. *John Baird*.

WILLIAM M'WHANN.

RUN away from the ſubſcriber, in *Glouceſter* county, on the 14th of this inſtant (*May*) a negro man named NED, about 19 or 20 years of age, five feet two or three inches high, rather of a tawny complexion, has ſome ringworms on his face, and ſome white hairs in his head; his clothing was an old brown coat, and a yellow ſtriped cotton waiſtcoat. I bought him laſt *March* at the ſale of mr. *John Shermer* in *James City* county, for *Mann Page*, junior, eſquire. He was brought from one of his quarters in *King William* county, and I have reaſon to believe that he will go to theſe parts, or to his mother, who lives with mr. *Thomas Booth*, in *Richmond* town. Any perſon who will take up the ſaid ſlave, and ſecure him ſo that I get him again, ſhall be paid 40s. by *Mann Page*, junior, eſquire, to whom the negro belongs.

(tf) JAMES JONES.

FOR SALE,

A TRACT of LAND, containing 3000 acres, whereon is a plantation which has employed, for ſome years paſt, twelve or fourteen ſlaves; this tract lies in the upper end of *King William* county. Alſo a tract lying in the lower end of the ſaid county, containing 1100 acres, and pleaſantly ſituated on *Pamunkey* river; a brick dwelling-houſe, with neceſſary offices, a fiſhing ſhore, and a lively fertility of ſoil, recommend the latter tract to any gentleman who may be about to ſettle in life. Poſſeſſion will be delivered on the 25th of *December* next, to the purchaſer, or purchaſers, who will have liberty of ſowing fall grain. Mr. *Benjamin Grymes*, jun. of *Orange*, will make known particulars to any perſon who may be inclined to purchaſe the whole, or any part of the ſaid tracts. Credit till the firſt of *January* 1777 will be allowed, by

JUDITH ROBINSON.
(tf.) LUCY ROBINSON,
BENJAMIN GRYMES, jun.

To be SOLD *in* Amherſt *county*,

FOUR THOUSAND acres of exceeding good tobacco LAND, being part of a large tract formerly advertiſed, together with a very valuable griſtmill, upon *Buffalo* river. This land is equal to any that has yet been ſold of the tract. The time of payment will be made agreeable to purchaſers. Mr. *Gabriel Penn*, who lives near the land, is authoriſed to bargain for it, and will ſhow it to any perſon inclinable to purchaſe.

(tf) CARTER BRAXTON.

For SALE,

A TRACT of LAND in *Caroline* county, near *Newmarket*, containing about 3000 acres of well timbered land, having thereon two plantations, in good repair, with proper and convenient edifices for farming, or making tobacco. For terms apply to the ſubſcriber.

(tf) JOHN BAYLOR

For SALE,

A TRACT of LAND in *Caroline* county, contiguous to *Mattapony* containing about 2000 acres of well timbered land, the property of mr. *Robert Baylor*. The terms may be known by applying to mr. *Nathaniel Burwell* in *King William*, mr. *John Armiſtead* in *Caroline*, or mr. *John Baylor*, executors. (tf)

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